Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of)	
Implementation of the Commercial Advertisement Loudness Mitigation (CALM) Act)	MB Docket No. 11-93

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STREAMLINED FINANCIAL HARDSHIP WAIVER CERTIFICATION

- 1. By this pleading and the attached certificate, Christian Family Network Television, Inc. ("Licensee") certifies that Class A Television Station K24HH-D, Facility ID 168560, Wichita Falls, Texas, requires a one-year delay to achieve compliance with the requirements of the Commercial Advertisement Loudness Mitigation Act (the "CALM Act") and requests a waiver of the December 13, 2012 deadline for compliance.¹
- 2. Pursuant to the streamlined waiver process set forth in the *Order*, Licensee requests waiver for K24HH-D as "small broadcast station." Under the procedures adopted in the *Order*, a station seeking a waiver on this basis must certify to the Commission that it qualifies as a

Licensee asserts that Class A television stations are not at this time subject to CALM Act compliance requirements. This understanding is based on Footnote 17 of Implementation of the Commercial Advertisement Loudness Mitigation (CALM) Act, 26 FCC Rcd 17222 (2011) (the "Order"), which defines a subject "television broadcast station" as a station licensed under Subpart E of Part 73. Class A stations are licensed under Subpart J and thus do not come within the definition of "television broadcast station" in either the statute or the Order. Nevertheless, this waiver certification is filed by Licensee out of an abundance of caution, should the Commission interpret the CALM Act compliance requirements to apply to Class A television stations through a proper notice and rulemaking. The Licensee does not intend this filing to in any way concede that its Class A station is subject to the CALM Act.

² Order at 17253-54.

"small broadcast station" and that it requires a delay of one year to obtain equipment to avoid financial hardship.³

- 3. As set forth in the attached Certification of Rod Payne, President, Licensee certifies that K24HH-D satisfies the definition of "small broadcast station" by virtue of having less than \$14 million in gross annual receipts, including that station and the other stations operated by Licensee. Mr. Payne further certifies that, to avoid financial hardship, the Licensee requires a one-year delay to obtain the equipment necessary for K24HH-D to comply with the CALM Act requirements.
- 4. Accordingly, Licensee respectfully requests a one-year waiver for K24HH-D to comply with the CALM Act.

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³ *Id.*

⁴ Licensee's other digital stations are all Low Power Television stations, which are explicitly exempted by the language in the CALM statute.

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CERTIFICATION OF ROD PAYNE

Rod Payne hereby certifies as follows:

- I am President of Christian Family Network Television, Inc. ("CFNT").
- 2. CFNT is the licensee of Class A television station K24HH-D, Wichita Falls, Texas. It is also the licensee of low power television stations K20DN and K30LD-D and holds a construction for a new station, in Wichita Falls (K20LC-D). It was formerly the licensee of DK30DJ and DK46IU-D in Wichita Falls, which are no longer operating.
- 3. During calendar year 2011, CFNT had less than \$14 million in annual gross receipts from all of its stations combined. CFNT's annual gross receipts for 2012 will also be less than \$14 million for all stations combined.
- 4. I estimate that to achieve CALM Act compliance for Station K24HH-D will cost at least \$3,000 for hardware and software. This is close to the entire operating monthly budget of the station.
- 5. Accordingly, CFNT hereby requests a one-year waiver of the December 13, 2012, compliance deadline.

Rod Payne

December 12, 2012